

No. 5264 號四十六百二千五第 日十二月八年戌甲治同 HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1874. 三拜禮 號十三月九英 港香 PRICE \$24 PER MONTH.

Auctions	Banks	To be let	Auctions	Auctions	Indemnities	Indemnities
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Intimations

THEATRE ROYAL.
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.
—
PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
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The Community of Hongkong is respectfully
informed that about the

RENOWNED MAGICIAN
PROFESSOR, VANEK

of the Great Silver Medal for Art and
Science,
HAS ARRIVED.
And will shortly give

AND
OPTIQUE,
have created the greatest excitement
among all who have witnessed his
ORDINARY AND UNUSUAL

PERFORMANCES.

Particulars in future Advertisements.

Hongkong, 29th September, 1874.

P. on Monday Mid-day, Sept. 23rd, in the vicinity of the P. & O. Coal Wharf, Hong-Kong.
Large BLACK RETRIEVER DOG.
To Capt. CLEGG, at the Hon. P. Ryrie's.
Person found detaining the Dog after this will be prosecuted.

FOR SALE.
 Ex "COSTA RICA."
 IFOENIA WINES, from the "Buena
 Vista Vinicultural Society."
 Society's Produce obtained "Mention
 ble" at the Paris Exhibition in 1866,
 Médaille de Promeré" at the Vienna Ex-

TE WINES, in cases of 1 doz.	Quarts.
Do.	do. 2 " Pints.
K,	do. 1 " Quarts.
KET,	do. 1 " "
MPAGNES:—	
National Grape.	
Buena Vista.	

Quarts, and cases of 2 doz. Pints.
FREBERIC DEGENAER,
 80 Hongkong, 30th September, 1874.
 FOR MANILA.
 Steamship
 "YUEN-TZE-FEE"

BROW, the 1st October, at 10 A.M.
 Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAFFRAK & Co.
 71, Hongkong, 29th September, 1874.
 WATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCOW.
 Steamship

"KWANG-TUNG,"
 Pitman, will have immediate despatch
 above Port.
 Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAURA & Co.
 74 Hongkong, 30th September, 1874.
 STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

"BEHAR,"
 ve for the above place shortly after the
 of the next English Mail.
 A. MEYER,
 Superintendent.
 S. N. Co.'s Office,

STEAM TO SHANGHAI,
Cargo at through rates for NAGASAKI
(and HIOGO.)
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"BARODA,"
Leave for the above place about 24 hours

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 30th September, 1874. 1576
HAIGON, SINGAPORE, AND BANG-
KOK.

"ASIA,"
Molson, will have quick despatch for
Ports.
Freight or Passage, apply to
AH YON,
Kwong Hing Shop,

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.
PAWDOR CASTLE, FROM LONDON
AND SINGAPORE.

Ships having arrived, Consignments of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed into the Godowns, of MacG. HENRY, whence delivery may be made.

of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & CO.

73 Hongkong, 29th September, 1874.

DEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

SIGNEES per Company's steamer
LYSSES are hereby notified that the
being discharged into Craft, ^{and} landed

will lie at Consignees' risk. The cargo ready for delivery from Craft or Godown after the 27th September, 1874, is undelivered after 3rd October, 1874, subject to Rent.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

S. PARIS, FROM SHANGHAI.

SIGNEES of Cargo by the above steamer are hereby informed that their cargo is being discharged, landed and stored free of risk into the Hongkong Wharf, and on whose delivery may be obtained.

subject to Rent.
of Lading will be countersigned by
GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
441. Hongkong, 26th September, 1874.
SS BARQUE HOPEWELL, FROM

SIGNERS of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in Bill of Lading to the Undersigned, for signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

10 Hongkong, 24th September, 1974.

Extracts.

THE WRECKED.

Where lurches he by Loch Achray
I see a sailor dog,
A sea dog, to be sure,
A goodly look, a fond, fond gaze,
As though it might reach
To where I wait my lonely days
Upon this island beach,
Oh, whither he wanders, breeze,
A lone heart, far away,
Breaks to be northward of the seas
With her by Loch Achray!
They do not dare, and dark to die,
Before these watching eyes;
How long—ever watch I say,
Beneath these shadowed eaves,
Dumb stiches and a weary round
While winds of fate and rain,
Oh, southern gales, oh, southern winds,
That I were northward more,
Oh, seaward wind, oh, wing me, breeze,
Far from this island day,
Through clouded skies, or dark dark seas,
To love by Loch Achray!
No end upon the clothes deep,
I watch and wait in vain;
Must I for ever watch and wait,
To see a sail again?
Oh, face that day and night I see,
As you that day and night I see,
Oh, heart that prays that I see,
As you that day and night I see,
What sight from my lone tropic life
Go upland, night and day,
That I again may sleep my life
At home by Loch Achray!
—Castell's Magazine.

GERMAN OCEAN ONCE DRY LAND.

The German Ocean, or North Sea, like the English Channel, was once an inland plain or valley raised above the sea level. The sea has lately recently invaded this depressed plain, submerged its forests, and superseded its river-courses. The buried trunks of its forest trees are still standing rooted in their own vegetable soil, although beneath the waves. Cromer Forest, which dips into the waters from the coast of Norfolk, is the most famous of these submerged forests of the German Ocean. The submerged woodland has been traced at low tide for more than forty miles. At certain seasons, and especially after great storms, the stumps of oak, alder, yew, and Scotch fir are seen standing upright in the water. The condition of the wood and of the fir-cones (some of the latter obviously bitter in quality) tells us that the sinking of the land here occurred at no distant period in the physical history of our country. The remains of land animals, too, as well as of the forests they inhabited, are discovered in the bed of the German Ocean. In his "Physical Geography of Norfolk," Mr. Woodward tells us that in less than three years the fishermen of the village of Happisburgh dredged up from their oyster-beds as many as two thousand teeth of mammoths. Bones and tusks of mammoths have also been fished up from these watery depths. It takes us back to the time when the European mainland, instead of terminating, as it does to-day, with the coast of Norway and France, stretched far westward in an unbroken area, beyond the present coast of Ireland. These were the flourishing days of the forests of oak, chestnut, alder, and yew which are now submerged in the German Ocean and the English Channel.—*London Hour.*

SPORT IN CAROLINA.

Turkey-shooting is one of the most profitable and fascinating sports to be enjoyed in the Carolina swamps. There the birds are never hunted, as in the highland regions, with a dog trained to follow up and scatter the flock, while the sportsman waits concealed behind a blind until the turkeys begin to sound their notes of recall, which is generally not for three or four hours. Many of them are shot from the stand as they trail out before the dogs when driving for deer. The squatters and stock-minders have a method which is too much like pot-hunting to afford any true sport. The birds are baited on their range, usually with the "concealment," a semicircular "Southern indication," of which all game-birds are passionately fond. A blind is built after the turkeys have become used to the spot, and a short trench is scooped out so as to give a short shot. Late in the evening this trench is filled with peas, a few being scattered around as a ground-bait, and at half-past seven the hunter is engaged, and comes with his gun covering the trench. Soon the birds are heard gobbling and peeping, then their pattering and scratching are heard among the dried leaves, and they are seen running here and there, greedily picking up the scattered grain. Presently the trench is found, and they gather round it pell-mell, pecking each other like lambs, and stretching their necks into the narrow ditch. A low whistle startles them, and as they raise their heads together in a cluster, bang! goes the old musket, and a charge of heavy duck-shot scatters death among the flock. I have known nine to be killed thus on one discharge, all struck in the head and neck. Turkeys killed in this way are the best for the table, as their bodies are not torn by the shot. The best sport is obtained, however, by "roosting," when, although it involves considerable fatigue and requires consummate skill, you must ride some miles in the late afternoon when there is to be a good moon, and search the knolls until you find where the turkeys have been roosting. You then take your seat at the foot of some large tree, and wait for an hour at least, keeping perfectly still. There will be plenty to amuse you, especially if the frost has not yet killed off the mosquitoes. The squirrels will creep up within a few feet of you, then make a dash at your tree, scrambling up and shoveling bark-chips at you as they go. Woodpeckers will come rattling out of the canopy, and, alighting near you, proceed to turn over the dead leaves and probe the rich earth for worms. If you move your hand, the bird settles into a little brown ball, with his long bill pressed against his breast, watching you with his great liquid eyes; should you quince off for an instant, you will never see him again, for he runs off silently in a zigzag course, and squats again among the leaves, which are so exactly the colour of his plumage that you may look at him for five minutes without knowing it. Keep your eyes and ears open, and as the moon rises, walk right up to you and break up your turkey-hunt by affording a steady shot at water game. Presently a single turkey becomes aggressive, broken only by the chirp of the squirrels and the occasional distant quack of a mallard, and black duck from some neighbouring creek. Then the barred owl begins their ward conversations, hooting and laughing to each other from every quarter, and waking a thousand gobbling echoes until the old woods ring again. The moon has now reached the first time alone among the lengthening shadows, is enough to let you hear on end. But you hear a loud and heavy flapping as of powerful wings, then a short "kew! kew! kew!" and another turkey flies up to the perch; then a long, rolling gobble which you can never mistake for that of a turkey. You rise instantly, and cautiously move toward the sound, which may be a quarter of a mile away. All you want now is to mark the tree on which they are roosting, for were you to approach it you would not get within two hundred yards of the birds. Carefully noting the spot, you get

home as soon as you can and prepare for your daylight expedition. You must be on the ground again before the first streak of dawn, and lucky will you be if you can get right under the roost, for then you may load and fire several times before the turkeys can realize their danger, getting a third or every shot. But in all likelihood the tree stands amid mud and briars which forbid a near approach. Then you must cautiously make your way around in the direction from which you saw the turkeys come, as they will probably return for several days to the same feeding-grounds. You will take all you know to do that you must move a muscle or make a sound, except to use your call; and one yelp too much or too little, too long or too short, will spoil everything. The gobblers are cautious to the last degree.—*Lippincott's Magazine.*

Insurance.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$50,000 on any one.

FIRST-CLASS RISK.

A RETURN OF TWENTY PER CENT. (20%) will be made on the premium charged on all Insurances, such Returns being payable on the issue of the Policy.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents for the above Company.

333 Hongkong, 1st March, 1874.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of \$100,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
if 674 Hongkong, 1st May, 1874.

NOTICE.

ON and after this date the undersigned Local Insurance Office will charge the following Rates of Premium per Steamer on the Suez Canal, being those now current in London.

W. A. Z. P. A.

SHEARER & LONDON.

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Insurance.

THE NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

(ESTABLISHED 1863.)

CAPITAL—Shanghai Taels 2,000,000, in 1,000 Shares of Taels 2,000 each.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—Shanghai Taels 600,000, or Taels 600 per Share.

Payment of FIRST CALL of Taels 900 per Share to be made on 1st October.

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